

of postal service and establishing uniform procedures for computing compensation, with respect to certain employees in the railway mail service, three witnesses favored the bills, as follows: William Thomas, National Postal Transport Association; George D. Riley, AFL; and Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees' Council. George E. Miller, Bureau of Transportation of Post Office Department, appeared in opposition.

On S. 1015 and S. 1190, to provide for promotion by merit of employees in the postal service and to establish uniform procedures for examination and appointment of candidates for promotion to supervisory positions, the following three witnesses appeared in support of the bills: E. C. Hallbeck, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; J. V. Horton, National Association of Postal Supervisors; and W. C. Doherty, National Association of Letter Carriers. Fred U. Mills, Bureau of Post Office Operations, appeared in opposition to the bills.

NIAGARA REDEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control-Rivers and Harbors concluded its hearings on S. 517, S. 1963, and S. 2021, Niagara River Redevelopment Act of 1951, after the following witnesses expressed their views on the pending bills: John E. Burton, chairman, Power Authority of State of New York; Representative Miller of New York; Earl J. Machold, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., of Syracuse, N. Y.; John L. Snyder, Randolph, N. Y., representing the Seneca Tribe; Robert W. McGregor, Local 1049, IBEW,

Mineola, N. Y.; A. J. McMahon, Local 1-2, Utility Workers Union, CIO; James Evans, director, New York State Park System, representing Niagara Frontier State Park; William E. Warne, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; John Edelman, Washington representative of CIO; and William J. Pachler, Utility Workers Union.

COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment S. Res. 192, to increase by \$10,000 funds for the Committee on Banking and Currency, and S. Res. 194, to increase by \$15,000 funds for the Select Committee on Small Business; and with amendment S. Res. 164, to provide \$841 for certain personal services rendered to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

Committee referred to subcommittee for study S. 1895, to make funds allotted to Senators for clerk hire available for use for payment on toll charges on telegrams, and S. Res. 190, to hold regular question-and-report periods in the Senate.

SMALL BUSINESS—NICKEL

Select Committee on Small Business: The following witnesses testified before the watchdog subcommittee on the supply and price of nickel as it affects small business: Arthur Wheeler and A. G. Wentworth, Seymour Manufacturing Co., Seymour, Conn.; Adrian Roman, Bergan Supply Co., Brooklyn; Edmund Barbera, Iritox Chemical Co., New York City; and Maurice Messing, Bart-Messing Corp., Belleville, N. J.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 23, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

CHOLERA VACCINE

Committee on Agriculture: Met informally with representatives of the serum industry to discuss production of hog cholera vaccine.

RESERVE COMPONENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Anna M. Rosenberg, Assistant Secretary of Defense, met with the Brooks Special Subcommittee on Civilian Components during today's consideration of H. R. 4860, Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1951. Following Mrs. Rosenberg's appearance the committee continued its section-by-section reading of the bill. Recessed until September 17, when it will resume on this measure.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Committee on Armed Services: Kilday special subcommittee continued consideration of H. R. 5169, to provide benefits for survivors of members of the uniformed services. Adjourned until after the recess of the House.

ELECTROMAGNETIC CONTROL

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Completed public hearings on S. 537, to provide for the greater security and defense of the United States against attack. The bill would grant authority to the President to control use of various types of electromagnetic equipment which emit radiations that can be used as navigational aids by enemy aircraft in attack upon this country. Testimony was received on behalf of the legislation from Maj. Gen. Francis L. Ankenbrandt, Director of Communications, U. S. Air Force; Edward M. Webster, Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission; and Ralph W. Hardy, director of Government relations, National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters.

SYNTHETIC LIQUID FUELS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held executive session to hear officials of the Department of the Interior on the subject of synthetic liquid fuels.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Byrne Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee four private claims bills of the House. Also held hearings on H. R. 590 and 2382, both private bills.

CONTRACT SETTLEMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Bryson Subcommittee No. 3 opened public hearings on H. R. 3418, to authorize payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals or metals in cases of failure to recover reasonable costs. Witnesses heard today were Representatives Walter, Murdock, Lanham, and Carnahan; Henderson Carson, former Member of Congress from Ohio; Dr. Wilbur A. Nelson, University of Virginia; Ewart L. Petley, vice president and general manager, Fredericktown (Mo.) Lead Co.; Carson Adkerson, president, American Manganese Producers Association; Fred Richardson, Glade Mountain Corp.; and Joseph Morris, Cedartown, Ga. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL-POSTAL PAY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and agreed to file reports tomorrow on H. R. 339, to increase the rates of compensation of officers and employees of the Federal Government, and H. R. 244, providing pay increases, etc., for postal employees. For a summary of the provisions contained in H. R. 339, see page D707, Digest of August 1; and for summary of provisions contained in H. R. 244, see page D700, Digest of July 31. The only changes made were the withdrawal of the pay-increase features for D. C. school teachers and other employees of the D. C. Education Department, along with the Metropolitan, Park, and White House Police forces, and the D. C. Fire

Department. A question of jurisdiction being involved, it was determined that the House Committee on the District of Columbia should consider these D. C. employees.

Ordered reported to the House S. 1074, to repeal certain obsolete laws relating to the Post Office Department. This is the companion measure to H. R. 3111, which was considered by the Burnside subcommittee.

Also considered, but withheld action pending further information to be received, H. R. 4255, the reclassification bill for postmasters and supervisors.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Larcade Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors postponed today's scheduled consideration of review resolutions until after the recess of the House.

SORGE SPY TRIAL

Committee on Un-American Activities: Maj. Gen. Charles A. Willoughby, former Intelligence Chief to General MacArthur, testified today regarding the activities of various American citizens in the Far East who were identified in the Richard Sorge investigation in China and Japan. During cross-examination he identified authentic files and documents from the Shanghai municipal court, Japanese courts and police, and American military intelligence. Recessed until tomorrow morning, when General Willoughby will return as a witness.

CONTROLLED-MATERIALS PLAN

Select Committee To Study Problems of Small Business: Burton Subcommittee No. 3 heard J. Frederick Wiese, vice president in charge of sales, Lukens Steel Co., Coatesville, Pa., discuss the distribution of steel under the controlled-materials plan, as well as a program for expansion of steel production facilities. The subcommittee has been conducting hearings for the last 2 weeks to study problems of small business under the plan. Will receive further testimony tomorrow morning from representatives of the steel industry.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT**New Laws**

(For last listing of Public Laws, see Digest, p. D776)

H. R. 3782, to authorize a per capita payment to members of the Menominee Tribe of Indians. Signed August 20, 1951 (P. L. 118).

H. R. 4332, authorizing the city of Burlington, Iowa, to own, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Mississippi River at or near said city. Signed August 20, 1951 (P. L. 119).

H. R. 3795, to provide for the use of the tribal funds of the Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation. Signed August 21, 1951 (P. L. 120).

H. R. 3911, to provide appropriate lapel buttons for relatives of servicemen killed in World War II or any subsequent war. Signed August 21, 1951 (P. L. 121).

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
AUGUST 23**

(All meetings are open unless otherwise designated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Armed Services, executive, on H. R. 5054, defense appropriations, 10:15 a. m., 224 Senate Office Building.

Committee on Finance, executive, on H. R. 4473, tax-revision bill, 10 a. m., 312 Senate Office Building.

Committees on Foreign Relations and Armed Services, executive, on H. R. 5113, mutual security, 10 a. m., room F-53, Capitol.